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To Lapland

Dec 20. 1897 Secretary of War (Alger) requested me to get ready & proceed at once to Lapland & purchase 500 reindeer trained to harness, together with the necessary harness, sleds & forage, Also fifty drivers & transport them to the United States to be taken to Dyea Alaska for the purpose of hauling provisions to the destitute Miners in Yukon Valley Unpleasant day for running around Rain - snow - & sleet -

Dec 22. Paid State Department for passport $1.00

This morning Secretary Alger designated Lieut. D. B. Devore U.S.A. to accompany me as Disbursing Officer & Assistant.

December 23rd Mr Bliss Secretary of the Interior increased my Salary to $3000. & asked the Bd of M. New York to pay $500 of it. Ticket to N.Y. $3.25. Sleeper $2. Baggage $2. Cab to depot .75. Took the night train to N.Y. dec 24th. Porter on Sleeper .25. Breakfast .50. Dinner .75 Supper .50 Parcel at Steamer Wharf .15 After breakfast Called on A.E. Johnson of Thingvalla Line of Steamers. Then on freight Dept of Penn R.R. Then on Amer Transport Line (Steamships) Then went to Rooms of Bd of Home Missions Pres Ch. Had Conference with Secretaries about L.M. Stevenson, Law Agent of American Line of Steamers, also of West Shore R.R. Took a hasty dinner Had Conference with Officers of Presbn Board of Home Missions.

Called on Mrs Shepard at 2 P.M. by appointment. Received a Christmas present of $100 Then went to Brown Bros & Co for Letters of Credit $
To Amer Security Co & signed application for Bond as Administrator of Estate of Also over to the Office of Mr Jno E. Parsons where I signed affadavit to Administer Estate all right. Thence back to the Mission rooms. Conference with Dr D.J. McMillan, Also H.C. Clin. Heast. Went out & got supper. Returned to Mission rooms & wrote letters until 8 o'Clock then went aboard Steamship Lucania of Cunard Line -
At 10 P.M. Lieut D.B. Devore arrived from Washington Had State room A all to myself.

December 25. Christmas —
Rose at 5.30 in order to get the morning papers before leaving At 6.30 A M the Steamer left the dock & started down the bay. The morning was Clear & Cold. Had a fine view on both Shores. Steamer was encased in ice from Thursday's Storm. On the promenade deck was a sheet of ice over 100 feet long & from 1 to 4 feet wide As we passed out noticed that the incoming vessels were well Coated with ice, both hulls & rigging We reached Sandy Hook soon after Sunrise The trip started out with a bright sunny day & smooth sea There are about 100 first class passengers on board, & the pleasant weather enticed them all out on

deck. Going down to breakfast I found in my room letters from my daughters. Orlia & Leslie. My Sister Mrs Storeross. Nieces Mary & Louise Storeross & Sister in law Mrs John H. Voorhees. Also a letter from Mr Allen of the Interior Dep't asking for a lecture on Lapland upon my return to be delivered before the Society of the Church of the Covenant. Also received a box of Chocolate Caramels from the Storeross' - a book on Norway from Orlia & a dozen small silk flags from Leslie. A large silk flag which Orlia had carried over Europe was placed on the wall of my State room and a smaller one decorated our coats (Lieut Drove

Myself). Merry Christmas & Happy New Year in gilt letters was painted on the doors of the dining room Lieut. Dwyer & myself had seats at the Purser's table. In the rotunda in the centre of the room was hung a large bunch of Mistletoe & flowers Embellished the tables.

The day passed off quietly & restfully Among other things I read through Stoddard's Lecture on Norway and the morning papers. Since leaving Sandy Hook yesterday morning the Steamer made up to Noon to-day

Miles.

December 26. Sunday. To-day like yesterday has been a smooth sea & consequently all the passengers are at their Meals, as well as on

deck At 10.30 am a religious service was held in the dinning room Conducted by Mr Field. Purser of the Steamship, Who read a special service, largely taken from that of the Church of England. On the printed list of passengers I notice the name of Rev McKenzie Stewart. Who, I understand is a rector of the Church of England in London Nearly all the passengers seem to be English people returning home.

No one on board except my Companion Lieut Devore knows me or apparently ever heard of me & Consequently I am left entirely to myself. No one to ask questions Concerning Alaska Missions or Klondike gold fields. It is a welcome

Change from the unceasing drive of the last few months. During the afternoon we have gradually run into the fogs. I suppose we are where near the New Foundland Banks

December 27. Monday. We have been crossing the "Banks" in a fog so dense, that the fog horn has been sounding much the day. From Sunday to Monday noon we made 501 miles Each day has had a little more motion to the ship than the day previous, but not sufficient to make many sick This Evening looking out into the fog I think I never saw such dense, inky blackness

Dec 28. Tuesday - There has been a decided change in the weather A fresh north west wind is blowing

& a heavy sea on, causing the
ship to roll heavily - Buck and other
Man & myself out of twelve appeared at the
breakfast-table where I am seated
Lieut Devore did not rise until noon
During the day were frequent squalls
of rain & wind - From noon to noon
496 miles.

Dec 29 Wednesday. The sea
is growing rougher & the waves
higher. This morning before
breakfast I slipped on deck &
rolled until caught by the
railing of the vessel During the day
we passed through frequent short
squalls - Wind blowing a gale
This evening a Concert was
given by the passengers in the
Music Hall, which proved a

very enjoyable affairs. To-morrow evening I am to make an address on the Klondike & Yukon gold fields The Collection this evening for the Seamen's Orphanage amounted to between 19 & 20 £.

Dec 30th Thursday. The Storm has somewhat abated, & the Sea become much smoother than on the preceeding two days. The Sun is out brightly & Everything seems pleasanter on Deck board - It stormed again in the afternoon & evening. In the evening in Music Hall I gave an address on Klondike & Alaska - During the afternoon & Evening the Mail was brought upon deck preparatory to landing it at Queenstown, where would be about 1. am Telegrams also were prepared to send ashore

Dec 31st Friday

Upon arising this morning found that the Sea was so rough last night, that the tug could not leave Queenstown harbor to take off mail, telegrams &c, Consequently it was all being taken on to Liverpool. We were in the Irish Channel & in sight of land. During the forenoon we passed the Masts ~~of a Steamer~~ sticking out of the water of a small Steamer, that had gone down in the storm that had been raging in the Channel the day previous —

Boats of every description were in sight in every direction & as we neared Liverpool, there was a continuous line of them

Lunch was had an hour earlier than usual to get ready for landing —

About 2 O'Clock P.M. we swung along the dock & half an hour later, were

on the Wharf, our baggage passing through the hands of the Custom Officers. Upon the Arrival of the Steamer we were met by the Representatives of the White Star Line, who wished to bid for the transportation of the Reindeer. After Checking our baggage through to London on the North Western R.R. Special, which stood at the dock ready to be off, Lieut Greene & myself went to the office of the White Star Line, where a Conference was had. As they could not definitely determine on rates, we left at 5:30 on the Midland train for London — For a short distance we occupied a Compartment, after which when we joined the train that had started from Manchester, we were removed to a car that ~~Combined~~ was a Combination of a palace & Dining Car. It was

already dusk when we left Liverpool so that we saw nothing of England by the way. Lines of Street Lamps seen a long distance away and occassionaly a lighted Manufactory on the horizon gave the impression of flatness. The cars moved smoothly & swiftly and about 10 P.M. we were in London, taking a Cab & driving around to the North Western Depot we picked up our trunks which had come on the Steamer train. Thence to the Cecil Hotel. Three assignments were made before we found Comfortable rooms - In the meantime it was nearly midnight. After business was over I closed the old year & Commenced the New Year in prayer -

1898

January 1st Saturday

Rose about 7 o'Clock & went in search of breakfast, but had to make out with a light lunch as breakfast was not ready before 8 o'Clock.

Telegraphed a Happy New Year to my family. Then read the Morning papers After Lieut. Drove had had breakfast we took a Cab & visited Morgan Co bankers, to whom he had letters of credit Receiving a telegram from Mr Kjellman for funds, we inquired at Morgan's for the best method of sending him soon but they were unable to suggest a way They sent us to a firm of brokers that made a specialty of dealing with Norwegian banks. They said that money could not be telegraphed in Europe as in the United States & that the only way

to get it there, was to go yourself or send a check by mail. We also visited the Offices of the leading telegraph Companies. Brown, Shipley & Co bankers & other places & Everywhere met with the same response, that the ~~only~~ quickest way was by Mail. We then ~~called~~ at

Accordingly it was agreed between us that on Monday I should go forward with funds for Mr Kjellmann & Lieut Devose returned to the Hotel to meet Mr Jansen

would remain in London & attend to Chartering Steamer

a representative of the firm of Mocatta Jauson & Co. Foreign Produce Brokers, who had telegraphed Secretary Alger offering to procure Reindeer for the American Government. After a Conference with him, with reference to transportation facilities, we lunched with him at the Adelphi restaurant. After dinner as business houses & Offices were closed for the remainder of the day, we took a Cab to make a

a New Years Call on the American Ambassador Mr Hay. Arriving at his residence, we found that he & his family were out of the city. Returned to the hotel & took a short nap, after which dressed for dinner Col and Mrs Theodore A. Dodge U.S.A. (fellow passengers with us on the Steamer) having taken Compassion on us two homeless men New Years Night and invited us to dine with them. Had a good dinner & pleasant evening with Col & Mrs Dodge at the Cecil Hotel.

January 2nd Sabbath.

Being tired of the high prices & little Comfort of the Restaurant at Cecil Hotel went out to Adelphi Restaurant for breakfast. After which took an omnibus across the city to Marlborough Place

to attend divine service at St
John's Wood Presbyterian Church Rev
Monro Gibson. pastor. (Rode on top of the
Omnibus) Started to reach the Church
at 10.30 am, at which time 3 Korean
Converts were to be baptized & received
into the Church. The Omnibus was so
slow that I missed the baptism, being
15 minutes late. Preaching Service at
Eleven followed with Communion
The large house with galleries on three
sides was packed full. At the Communion
Service I assisted Dr Gibson by passing
the wine. After the distribution of the
Elements Dr Gibson introduced me as
Moderator of the Gen'l Assembly of the U.S.
& at his request I gave a few words of
greeting to the Congregation. In passing
the bread, the person at the head of the

took a slice of bread from the plate, & breaking off a portion for himself passed the slice through the pew from aisle to aisle while the bearer of the plate went on. down the aisle, & upon the return up the aisle the Elders gathered up the fragments from the pews. This was a very expeditious method of distributing the bread. After the benediction I was introduced to the large session & also a number of the people. Among them was a daughter of Rev Dr Chambers, She is married & living in London. From the Church went home with Dr Gibson to dine with his family. Immediately after dinner excused myself in order to attend a 3 o'Clock service in Westminister Abbey. Was again late owing to the slowness of the Omnibus. The Sermon at the Abbey

was by Rev Canon Wilberforce. from Romans 8:29 "He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son" He several times spoke of "destructive Calvinism" In the evening Lieut Drove & myself attended Service at the City Temple Rev Joseph Parker D.D. pastor. The large Church & galleries were crowded & people standing up. We secured a seat on the stairs in the gallery. Bethinking Myself of my Moderatorship, I passed my Card over to an Usher, Who at once caused ~~After~~ some people to move up closer & make Another seat in that pew, which was given me. After the benediction we went into the waiting room & were introduced to Dr Parker. Attempting to walk to the hotel, we greatly increased the distance by getting on the wrong Street.

January 3rd Monday.

After breakfast I went & called on the Atlantic Transport Steamship Co. After which returned to the Hotel to meet some appointments, which failed to come. Lieut Drove & myself then went to Mocatta, Jansen & Co. & Concluded an Agreement with them, that they were to give us their assistance in arranging for Steamship Mooring deer &c in Return for which we would give them £300, or if it became necessary for one of them to go to Norway £500. they paying their own travelling Expenses. While at the Atlantic Transport Steamship Co's Office I learned that the English Department of Agriculture had recently forbidden the introduction into England of any Stock from Norway & Sweden, because in Southern Sweden there was an outbreak of foot-rot

Among some of the Cattle. Not only was Stock of all Kinds forbidden a landing in England, but Ships carrying such Stock to other Countries were to be quarantined 21 days before, being allowed to load other Cattle for England – As this threatened to greatly increase the expense & difficulty of Chartering a Ship, I at once took a Cab & went first to the American Embassy Both the Ambassador & his Assistant were out. The Chief Clerk however suggested that I visit the British Department of Agriculture, talk it over unofficially find out just what the law was &c. & then if any official action was required it could be taken afterwards. I found the man I wanted to see was the 1st Asst Secretary of Agriculture. He took much interest in the matter of getting Reindeer

to relieve the destitute Miners in the Yukon. I suggested that we secure a steamer not engaged in the cattle trade and take the reindeer direct from Lapland to America. Returning from the Secretary's I called at Cook's Tourist office & procured a through ticket from London to Christiania via Harwich Queenboro. Flushing Holland, Gooch Germany Hamburg & Kiel Germany. Copenhagen Denmark. Helsingborg Sweden & Christiania. After securing my ticket had about 10 minutes for St Paul Cathedral, after which went to dinner. Returning to the hotel packed my trunks & got ready for leaving Mocatta & Jansen came to hotel to see me off. Became more & more suspicious of Jansen on several occassions he has tried to deceive & mislead me. Lieut Devon went with

me to the Victoria depot. and at 8.50 P.M I was on my way to Queenboro It was again night & I saw nothing of the part of England I was passing through. We reached Queenboro Pier at 10.25 P.M. and immediately went aboard the Steamer Koningin Regentes that was to convey us across the Channel - having about 6000 ℔ about my person, I secured a State room to myself at an expense of £5. Lieut Drvore remained in London to Arrange for Chartering a Steamer, While I hastened forward with funds to Mr Kjellmann at Bose Kop (Allen) Northern Lapland to ~~hasten~~ expedite the buying of Reindeer -

January 4th Tuesday

At 4 O'Clock AM I arose in order to get breakfast before the arrival of the Steamer at Flushing 4.45 am. At Flushing I left the Steamer & secured a through Car

to Hamburg Ger. At Gennep a short stop was made for the regular breakfast. By 10. A M we had passed out of Holland ~~& reached~~ entered Germany at Emmerich, Where our baggage was inspected by the Customs officials. At noon dinner on a tray was served in my compartment Had Chicken. potatoes. bread & butter, meat and bouillon soup. Windmills a distinctive mark through Holland. Germany & Denmark. Houses 1 ½ story with side & eaves but a few feet from the ground. Country well cultivated Germany with wooden shoes. Saw a pile of wooden shoes in a bright depot

Just dusk When we reached Hamburg (4.54 P.M.) Reached Kiel 7.22 P.M. Went to a restaurant & got supper, then went aboard Steamer & went to bed - Upon the arrival of the next train from Hamburg

(Midnight) We were off. Reaching
Kosor, Denmark early in the morning.

January 5th Wednesday

At Kosor our baggage was examined by the Danish Customs Officers. About 10 o'clock we were in Copenhagen, where I changed Cars for Christiania. I had telegraphed to the Thingvalla Steamship Co to meet me at depot, but no one appeared. It was rainy & disagreable.

At Helsinger the through Cars was run on the ferry boat & take across to Helsingborg Sweden. Dinner was served on ferry boat. At Helsingborg our baggage was inspected by the Swedish Customs Officer. The snow fences along the Railways were built with an oval cat ∫ to make a swirl away from the track. Began to encounter our first snow, & first signs

of winter. The Car Conductors upon coming to your Compartment for the tickets would first rap at the door, & upon the passenger looking up, would respectfully lift his hat. then approach & in a deferential manner ask to see your ticket. Then removing a Coupon or punching the ticket as might be, returns the ticket to the passenger & again lifting his hat backs out of the Compartment. After leaving Gotenburgh, 6.50 P.M. the Conductor brought me a pair of woolen blanks & a small pillow with which I made a bed on the Car seat, which was about 7 feet long — At some sometime during the night — I was awakened by a Norwegian Customs Officer, who wanted to see the inside of my Satchel. At 6.17 Early in the Morning, we were at Christiania Norway. As my

January 6th - Thursday

trunks had been registered & checked through from London, I went to the baggage room & opened them for inspection of Customs Officer. Then giving myself in charge of ~~the~~ a porter was taken to the Victoria Hotel, where I found a well warmed comfortable room. After breakfast, I strolled around the streets until 10 O'Clock (when the offices were opened) when I presented to the American Consul Mr Henry Bordewich of Minnesota, a letter from Secretary Sherman directing all American Officials in Sweden Norway & Denmark to render me all possible aid in securing reindeer. I found Mr Bordewich very pleasant, and he at once took me over to see the Secretary of the Interior of the Norwegian Government, who gave

28 Sheaves of oats & barley for birds Christmas on barns. houses & graves. City & country

Me a letter to the Norwegian officials in Lapland requesting them to extend all possible assistance in my enterprise I then went to Mr D. Adler Manager of one of the banks & Mr Heftye & Son bankers from whom I drew 20 £ on my letter of Credit. With a card of introduction to the University officials from Mr Adler, I hastened to the University and although it was not a regular day for exhibiting the Viking Ship, gained admittance. Returned to the hotel to dinner, after which hiring a sleigh was driven around the city until dark. Spent the evening with the Consul & his family, where I had refreshments. Mr Bordewich's Eldest Son Saw me home to the hotel. The night was bitter cold.

January 7th – Friday

Arose at 6. am in order to get breakfast before taking the train at 7.27 for Trondhjem At Hamar where a warm breakfast was served, we changed from broad to narrow gauge cars. On the latter were no 1st Class ~~Compartments~~ compartments, so I took a 2d Class, upon which was the sign "to Smoking" Part of the way I had it all to myself & a portion of the way My Companions were the Norwegian Court preacher* from Christiania & another Lutheran Clergyman – The former was on his way to Tönset to make an address. & could talk a little English. During the day we passed through several Snow sheds & the Snow grew deeper as we advanced Northward As the night was clear & the moon full

* Stiftsprovst Chr Hall. HofpraediKant. Munkedamsveien 68 Christiania

the Ride through the Mountains was too attractive to admit of Sleep. At Mid Night we reached Drondhjem & taking the Omnibus was soon at the Grand Hotel, where a warm room awaited me in answer to a telegram for the same

January 8th Saturday

After breakfast started out among the Curio Stores for Lapp & Reindeer Photos but did not find many good ones - When it was open went to Drn Norden fjeldske Kreditbank, and deposited £1000 to Credit of Mrs A. Kjellmann which was telegraphed him at Alten. And Changed £950 into 17.075 Kroners which I took with me to Bosekop (Alten I then went to Jawson & Co & drew out £62 on my letter of Credit, with this I deposited in Drn Nordenfjeldske

Kredit bank to the Credit of
Mikkel Josefsen Nakkila $150 (555 Kr)
Johan Spinson Tornensis $150 (555 Kr)
Frederick Larsen $50 (185 Kr)
This bring a portion of their Salary for 1896 & 7 which they requested to be deposited to their Credit.

After arranging Matters at the banks & procuring a Steamer ticket (Steamer Vesteraalen) to Tromsoe, I went to See the Trondhjem Cathedral Then returned to the hotel to dinner After dinner hunted up Mr E. A Tönsette, to whom I had been recommended by Mocatta, Janson & Co of London, as a Commission Merchant who would secure the necessary Mss Was busy with him all afternoon After Supper at hotel, went on

board the Steamer, but 2 or 3 important telegrams being received I went to the telegraph office, where I was detained until about Eleven o'clock. At Midnight the Steamer sailed upon the arrival of the train & mail from Christiania.

January 9th ~~Saturday~~ Sunday

Spent most of the day pacing the deck, except when squalls of rain sleet & snow would drive me in.

January 10th Monday

Called at the Lofoden Islands Fishermen are gathering to these Islands from every direction, preparitory to the opening of the Cod Catching season, which Commences about this time & lasts until Middle of March. During this time

the Average Catch is 32 Million fish. The Sea was quite rough & our vessel rocked & pitched badly A peculiarity of the Norwegian Coast is the great number of light houses The Steamer no sooner loses sight of one passed than another looms up ahead. Consequently these narrow & dangerous Channels can be navigated the darkest nights The only trouble to the navigator bring a thick blinding snow storm.

Another peculiarity is the Extent of postal & telegraphic facilities Every important village way up to North Cape has mail facilities & also either telegraphic or telephonic Communication with the world - There are in Norway

telegraph stations north of the Arctic Circle. Small steamers carry the mail to all the little villages along the fjords & the swift deer sled carry it inland hundreds of miles. But few of the places where the steamer carried the mail had wharves, but a large row boat would come out to meet the steamer, & changing mail freight & passengers —

January 11th Tuesday

At 5 am we reached Tromsoe & were transferred without landing by boat directly to the steamer Sigurd Jarl which left at 7 am & was expected to reach Hammerfest at 7 O'clock the same evening. But the sea was so rough & snow squalls so

frequent that we did not reach there until two O'Clock

January 12th Wednesday

Hammerfest is said to be the most Northern City in the world, and at this season of the year does not see the Sun from November 18th to January 23rd

As soon as we dropped Anchor I was transfered by row boat directly to the Steamer "Nor" which was to leave next Morning early for Alten. Having stowed away my things on board Steamer & secured my passage, I went ashore to see the town under Electric light This Northernmost town was the first in Norway to introduce Electric lights. Was disapointed in not seeing the School in Session.

having Closed for the day & the Children thronged the Streets riding down hill on Sleds - The ~~hours~~ School hours are from ten to two. The houses are built irregularly along Crooked Streets & are without door yards - or at least I did not discover them in the darkness - Having business with a Merchant & going to the Store found he went home at 2 to dinner & after dinner a nap. He would return to the Store at 4. P. M. I met the same experience in Calling upon the highest Norwegian Official in the place. Also the British Vice Consul. Found a few Lapp & Reindeer photographs

January 13th Thursday

Left Hammerfest about 7 A.M. on small steamer "Nor" Slept on a seat in the small Cabin. The waiters bring two middle aged women While it is but 48 miles up the Alten Fjord to Bosekop, yet we ran into so many side fjord with the mail, that we must have travelled at least 75 miles. Reaching Bosekop between 6 & 7 P.M. Upon arrival self & baggage was put into a row boat & taken ashore. Upon leaving the ship the Captain told the boatmen to take me to the hotel. Upon reaching there my trunks were placed upon a hand sled & I was motioned to follow as the sled pushed out into the inky darkness -

At the hotel, which was nearly a
1/4 of mile away from the landing, I
was shown into a well lighted & well
warmed parlor with a good bed room
adjoining. The hotel a two story log
building is well situated on the
first bench of land above the sea,
which it overlooks - The man of
the house came in & sat down a
few minutes, but as neither of us
understood a word of each others lang-
uage, he soon went out, & I was
left alone unable to make known
a want but by signs.
My bed was composed of a mattress upon
which was a eiderdown featherbed. Over that
a linen sheet. then a pair of woolen blankets
then a linen sheet with the upper ~~he~~ end
decorated with hand embroidery. Over that

Another Eider down feather bed, & Covering that a White Spread or Counterpane

January 14th Friday

Herend a number of telegrams awaiting my arrival. The telegraph operator, who is also Post Master understands a little English When I wish anything I write it out in English. The Post Master kindly writes it in Norwegian, & then I present the paper at the Store, or to the person with whom I desire to communicate. Coffee & lunch in bed about 8 O'Clock. Breakfast at 9. Dinner at 3 & Supper about 9 P.M. This Afternoon the Roman Catholic Priest Called upon me. Rev Askan Zucco-Cuccagna (Italian) Finding that I could converse neither in Norwegian or French. He attempted Latin

He racked his brains to know what words to use & I racked my brains guesing at what he was trying to say & occassionaly nodding my head for his encouragement. The conversation under the circumstances was not very free or exciting

January 13. Saturday

The Sun does not appear here from November 20th to Jan 21st. There is sufficient light however to get around from 9 Am to 3. P.M.

This noon took a long stroll over the hills for exercise - This Evening had a call from George Berge, teacher of Roman Catholic parochial School at Alten. He is a Norwegian 43 years old. When a boy he left the Norwegian Church & Commenced to study for the

priesthood in the papal Church
When within 6 months of getting through
his studies his health failed & he went
to sea. He afterwards married & has
a family of 4 boys the eldest being 9 years
old. While knocking around the world
being of a mechanical turning mind he
learned a little of Carpentry & joining.
Bookbinding Shoemaking. Metal working
& farming. He speaks French. English
Norwegian and Spanish. Was employed
by the R.C. Bishop of Norway as 4 years as
Catechist at Hosted. Norway. He also taught
the R.C. Parochial School in Christiania
at a salary of 1000 K per year ($268). His
present salary is 600 kroner & house rent
$161 & house rent. He is desirous of pro-
curing a situation in Alaska as promis-
ing a better future for his boys -

January 16. Sunday

Mr Kjellmann arrived this morning having been delayed two days on the Mountains, where he was lost in a blizzard. Rode nearly all Friday & Saturday nights without sleep. He reported bought & partial payment made for 500 trained deer. 500 sleds & harness. & 50 Drivers secured. At 11 O'Clock went to the Lutheran Church. When Service commenced about 100 were present. Galleries across the end & half way on each side An Alter with a plaster of Paris figure of the Savior was behind the 2nd rail & a platform about a foot high between the 1st & 2d rails. The pulpit was in one corner. the floor of which was about 7 or 8 feet above the floor of the Church. The Minister came

in from a side room dressed in a black gown, with a large white ruffle around his neck. Facing the Altar he engaged in silent prayer. After which the Sexton stepped up & placed a white surplice or garment over the black & then a large red velvet cape with a large gilt Cross embroidered on the back. After which with the Minister still facing the Altar a precentor came forward, read portions of the Litany. led in prayer & started the hymns - After which the Sexton removed the Cape & white garment from the Minister who went into his private room, while the precentor led the singing of another hymn There were eleven hymns sung during the service. After which the Minister came out, ascended the winding

stairs to his lofty pulpit, read a portion of Scripture & preached a Sermon about 37 minutes long. In the meantime the Sexton who had a seat on the platform at the opposite side from the precentor, arose put on his over Coat & gloves took his cane, picked up a Copper tea-Kettle & marched down the Middle aisle & out of Church. After Sermon the Minister again retired to his private room, while the precentor took Charge of the worship. After a little the Sexton Came in with a Kettle of warm water a Stand & bowl was set in the Centre aisle & the water poured in the bowl. Then three women (one carrying a babe) Came out of the pastors private room & ranged themselves by the font in a line on the woman's side of the Church. (The women &

Men occupy seperate sides of the Church) They were joined by a woman who left the pews for that purpose & then a man & two boys took the other side. Probably a portion of the family to which the infant belonged. After baptism & singing & the benediction, the Congregation dispersed. Had an old Melodeon out of tune and a beginner for an organist. On the 2d tune the organist broke down, when the precentor gave out another hymn, with which they were evidently more familiar & carried the tune without the assistance of the Melodeon. Had a call from Per Rist, one of the Lapps returned from Alaska

January 17. Monday.

During the short day light Per Rist gave me a few miles ride after the reindeer. Fine Auroral display.

Was much surprised to receive a letter from home dated Dec 31st.

January 18th 1898. Tuesday.

Samuel Kemi, another of the Lapps, returned from Alaska Called. He came in to take Mr Kjellmann off to gather in the deer from the region between the headwaters of the Kåvasjokka and Bautajokka rivers Gave Mr Kjellmann 11.575 Kroners that I had brought with me from Trondhjem Having yesterday received telegram from Drore that 11.200 Kroner had been deposited to my Credit in the Alten Savings Bank. I drew out 3000 Kroner & gave to Mr Kjellmann on Reindeer Account. This afternoon Mr Kjellmann started off a Norwegian with Per Rist, Who is to buy gather & bring in the Reindeer & attending Lapps from Kautokeino and

January 19th Wednesday

This morning immediately after breakfast Mr Kjellmann & Samd. Kemi were off for the Karasjokka District. Als laken Someby another of the ~~returned~~ Lapps returned from Alaska is at work gathering up in the Karasjok district on the edge of Russia Driving Snow storms have raged all day ~~Yesterday~~ I Learned on Monday that Sivertsen was buying Moss here for us & had ordered it shipped to Tromsoe. At once wired him, that if the Moss was for us, it must be turned over to me here, or I would not receive it. The next day it was turned over. Buying against us in this Market run the price up from 10 to 17 Kroner per load The Competition cost us $200 extra on about 20 to 25 tons of Moss. The Mscattee Jansen. Sivertsen Combination are a set of Swindlers

January 20th Thursday.

A regular blizzard has been raging all day. I often think of Mr Kjellmann who is probably attempting to Cross the Mountains in this Storm. Notwithstanding the Storm was out about an hour getting fresh air There are two Judges at the hotel with me who expect to hold Court at Kautokeino the last of the week. They will go from here 120 miles by Reindeer transportation. Wrote a long letter to the Secretary of War.

January 21. Friday

The Storm has somewhat abated. It is still snowing & drifting however. This morning Notified Mr Nelson not to purchase any more moss as we had sufficient. Received an telegram from Sivertsen that upon Mocatta & Jansen's order he had bought 500 hundred head of reindeer for me

& that Jansen wired him today to turn them over to me. I replied that I had not ordered them & refused to receive them. Notified Lieut Drane of the Claim — Took a long walk in the storm. Today the Sun should appear above the horizon at this place the first since November 20th last. It is so cloudy however that the Sun can not be seen.

The Judges have their bundles packed and the deer & sleds before the door ready for a start to-night Do not know why the wait so late unless waiting the arrival of the Mail Steamer about 6 P.M.

January 22. Saturday.

Still storming. The judges did not get off last night, but finaly got started about 11 O'Clock this morning. Went to savings bank but the funds had not yet arrived. Wrote on my sermon.

January 23. Sunday

A pleasant morning. Saw the Sun shining upon the tops of the snow covered peaks at between 10 & 11 o'clock. Did not see the Sun itself. At 11 am went to Church. Another baptism of a babe at (Christian Frederick—) Close of Service Babe was dressed in white frock, with seven ruffles in the skirt. Had on a little lace cap with pink bow & strings. Church was quite cold. Minister & many in the Congregation were coughing. No attempt was made to-day to use the Melodeon — As near as I could count about 30 were present. I hope the people were spiritualy fed, There does not seem to be much heart in the Service Precentor again Spit tobacco juice over the rail in the Church floor. Between 5 & 6 PM walked up & down the main street for air & Exercise

January 24th Monday

Thermometer this morning registers 16° above zero. The oldest it has been yet. The windows glass are all frosted over, and rising steam covers the waters of the bay. The day is comparatively clear & we may yet get a glimpse of the sun. Later in the day Clouds obscured the horizon & prevented a sight of the sun. Had a telegram from Lieut. Devore announcing the steamship had arrived at Drontheim & could not carry all the mail. Replied bring what you can. Mail steamer from Hammerfest whistled at 6.45 P.M.

January 24. Tuesday

Driving, drifting snow storm. Took a long walk about town. Finished the first draft of my report on the Agricultural prospects of the Yukon Valley Alask

The Lapps. & their families are now leaving home for this place to take the Steamer to America. They have from 120 to 150 miles over the Mountains to come in Mid Arctic winter. Every time I hear the storm beat against my window I lift up a prayer for their protection by the way. The trips they are making is as bad as that over the Chilkoot-pass.

January 26th Wednesday

Still blowing & snowing – Wrote a long letter to the Commissioner of Education. Bad weather for travelling over the mountains. Received from the Savings Bank

6	packages	of 10 – 100 Kroners	each			Kr	6000
4	"	of 10 – 50	"	"	"		2000
1	"	of 10 – 10	"	"	"		100
1	"	" 9 – 10	"	"	"		90
1	"	" 1 – 5	"	"	"		5
1	"	loose change					1.2
							8.196,2
							3.7
						Kr	8.200

This was the balance Commission of 11.200 Kr deposited to my credit.

January 27th Thursday

The severest storm since I have been here The wind blew a gale accompanied with a heavy snow storm. Lieut Devore telegraphed from Trondhjem that the gale was so severe there, that they had to suspend loading moss. Mr Kjellman & the Lapps surely can not travel in such a storm. The first day that I have not ventured out for exercise. The mail steamer has not arrived — delayed by the storm

January 28th Friday

Storm still raging. The lanes blocked with snow. Clear sky overhead shows that the snow storm has passed & that the snow whirling by is only changing location. This morning had a call from the Landsmann of the village

He is a kind of Mayor + police Judge combined. He could talk a little English. The storm at noon is increasing in severity. At 12.30 noon to my amazement Mr Kjellmann drove up; his whiskers, hair + fur suit encased in snow + ice. My admiration of the reindeer grows day by day, as I see what storms they will work through. The wind is now shaking this two story log hotel on a good stone foundation. During the afternoon Matthis Eira came in with 90 deer from Maci

Owing to the storm he was four days enroute instead of two. Received a telegram that the Manitobian would leave Trondhjem to-night. Mr Kjellmann brought word that some of the Lapps were backing out from going. The storm was so severe that blankets were nailed over the window in my bed room.

Expenses to Lapland & Return

1897		$	Cts
Dec 22	To State Department Passport		1.00
23	Railway Fare Washington to New York		3.25
"	2 Trunks from W to Steamship "		2 00
"	Pullman Sleeper "		2 00
"	Cab to depot at night		0 75
24	Porter on Sleeper 25 Street Cars 20		0 45
"	Cab to Steamer $1 Parcel Office 15		1.15
"	Breakfast 75 Dinner $1 Supper 75		2.50
	Brown Bros & Co. Exchange on N York		3.25
25	Cablegram to Mrs A. Kjellman Tromsoe		8.75
"	Rent of Steamer Chair		1.00
31	State Room Porter Steamer Lucania		2 00
	Baggage to Cars 20 Porter 10		0 30
	1898		
January		£ s	
1	Breakfast Cecil Hotel	0.3 8	0 75
2	" " "	0.4 0	1.00
3	" " "	0-2-7½	0.65
"	Cab to Amer Embassy & Eng Agricultural Office	0-10-0	2.50
			33.30

1898

		£	s	d	$
January	Brought forward				33.30
3rd	Rwy fare London to Christiania	8	2	2	40.55
"	Extra Baggage £1.14 $8.50 Dinner $1. 0.4.0 Koningin Regentes	1	18	0	9.50
"	State Room Steamer to Flushing	1			5.00
4	Porter 1.S 25. Breakfast 35 Dinner 45		8		2.00
"	Supper 35 Seat Parlor Car 2 mark		5		1.25
"	Telegraphed Lieut Devore		4		1.00
"	" Thiriwall a Steam Sp Co	2	Voucher 2		0.50
"	Porter Parlor Car 15. Cab to Stn at Kiel 25				0.40
"	State Room Kiel to Kosor				1.75
5	Breakfast 75 Dinner 1 Supper 75 3K10 or $1.				2.50
"	Porter on Stn 15 Sleeper to Christiania				1.15
6	Cab to Amer Consulate & Norwegian				
"	Interior Department 2K25 or				0.60
"	Street Cars 15 Charting Coast 3K10 or 1				1.15
"	Discount on Money Heftye & Son				0.15
7	Victoria Hotel 1 day with transfer & Self				
"	& 2 trunks between Hotel & depot 13K10 or				3.34
"	R.R. fare Christiania to Trondhjem 2d Class				9.10
					$ 113.44

January	Brought forward			$113.44
7	Extra Baggage 54 Porter's Fee 35			$ 0.89
"	Telegraph to Trondhjem			0 22
"	Breakfast 50 Dinner 75 Supper 50			1.75
8	Telegraph to Kjellmann 3	46 Voucher 42 3.4.5 54		1.42
"	" " Lieut Drove	Voucher 6		5 77
"	Grand Hotel Trondhjem 1 day with			4.50
"	Transfer Cars & Hotel & Hotel to Str	16K 65 Ør		
"	Steamer Fare Trondhjem to Tromsoe	50 Kr		13 52
"	Cab from Steamer to Telegraph Office & Rel-	2 Kr		0.54
10	Telegraph Lieut Drove from Lofoden Voucher 7	10K	40 Ør Sds	2 81
"	Boat to & from Telegraph Of		50 Ør	0 15
11	6 Meals on Str Vesteraalen	12 Kr		3.24
"	Porter 35 Ør. Transfer to Str	3	35 Ør	0 15
	Sigurd Jarl by boat	1K	95 Ør	0.50
12	Steamer fare Tromsoe to Boskop	12K	70 Ør	3 43
	3 Meals on Sigurd Jarl	8K		2.16
	Porters Fee 1K, Transfer to Str Nor			0.75
	Telegraph to Mrs A. Kjellmann Voucher 8.		50 Ør	0 15
				$155.39

1898

		Kroner	Øre	
January	Brought forward			£ 155.39
13	3 Meals on the Str "Nor"	5	50	1.49
"	Transfer Self + 2 trunks fr Str			
"	to Hotel Boseskop (Alten)	2	95	0 50
"	Porters Fee 55 Øre 15 Postage 40			0.55
"	Telegraph to Sec of War	27		7.30
"	" " Lieut Devore	1	25	0.34
"	" " Ottother Christ		50	0.15
	Vouchers 9-10 0.65 1.00	3	65	
17	2 Telegraphs Lieut Devore	2	30	1 65
"	Voucher 11 " Sec of War	22	50	6 08
"	Voucher 12 " Sivertsen Tromsoe	1	25	0 34
	Postage	0	60	0 16
15	Ink 10 Postage 15			0 25
	Vouchers 13-14 85 49	3	15	
18	2 Telegrams to Lieut Devore	1	85	1 34
	Vouchers 15-16 78 24	2	90	
19	" " " " "	0	90	1 02
"	Telegram Sec of War Voucher 17	52	50	14 18
"	Interpreter		25	0.10
20	Telegram Sec of War Voucher 19	6		1 62
"	" Lieut Devore Voucher 18		55	0 15
	2K 80 Øre 76	44	2 80	
21	" Voucher 20 " Postage	1	60	1 20
				£ 193.81

January	Brought Forward	Kroner	Øre	$ 193.81
21	Telegram to Livertsen Voucher 21		65	0.18
22	2 Telegrams Lieut Drove Vouchers 22-23 36 61	1	35	0.97
"	Board Bosekop Hotel Jan 18-22	64	50	17.42
23	Telegram to Lieut Drove Voucher 24	1	25	0.34
24	" " " " " Postage Voucher 25 " " 69 5	2	75	0.74
25	Postage 25 Ditto 5		95 20	0.30
26	Telegram to Lieut Drove Voucher 26		65	0 18
27	" " " 27 "		55	0 15
28	" " " 28 "	1	70	0 51
29	Board Hotel Jan 23-29			13 24
"	Washing 649.4	4	80	1 57
	" (Feb 2nd	1		
	Postage on Kr 8.200	2		1.14
Feb 3	Telegram to Sec War Voucher 29	9	Kr	2.43
	1 " to Altor Mulf for Drove Voucher 30	1	Kr 50 Ør	0.29
	Board at Bosekop Hotel Jan 30 to Feb 3.	35	Kr	9.45
	Fees to Servants for 3 weeks	11	Kr	3 00
	Transfer of Self & Baggage Hotel to Steamship	4	Kr	1.00
	Ferryage between Steamer & Shore	1	Kr	0.27
				$ 245.85

1898

Brought forward		245.85
Fees on Steamship Manitoban		3 00
Self & Baggage fr Dr to Depot		2 00
Railway fare New York to Washing		6 50
Pullman Chair Car 1.50 Porter 25		1 75
Dinner $1 Cab for Self & Baggage		1 25
		$260 35

1898		Received from Lieut. D.B. Devore			
Jan	1st	Cash	$16	00	
	8	"	54	00	
	31	"	25	87	
Feb	3	"	40	00	
			135	87	
"	18	Check	124	48	
			$260	35	260.35

1898

Lieut D. B. Devore U.S.A.
in account with
Sheldon Jackson

			Cr	Dr
Jan	3	Check on Treasurer U.S.	$1000 00	
"	8	Pd Wm a. Kjellmann		(Kr 3500) 946 00
"	"	" Sheldon Jackson		54 00
			$1000 00	1000 00
Jan	3	Bank of England notes	£ 950	
"	8	Paid E. A. Lorsette (Moss)		£ 300
"	18	" Wm a. Kjellmann		(Kr 11.575) £ 650
			£ 950	£ 950
Jan	17	Recd through Allen Bank	Kr 11200	
"	18	Paid Wm a. Kjellmann		Kr 3000
"	218	" " "		500
"	31	" " "		7600
"	29	Postage on 11200 Kroner		4.20
"	31	Paid Sheldon Jackson		95.80
			Kr 11200	Kr 11 200
Feb	3	Recd of Lieut Devore	Kr 3700	
"	"	Pd Wm a. Kjellmann		Kr 3700
			Kroner 3700	Kr 3700

Boskop. Norway Feb 3. 1898

The Secretary of War

Washington D.C.

In account with Wm A. Kjellmann

1898					
Feb	3	To 538 Trained Reindeer @ $10	5380	00	
"	"	418 Sleds @ $3.60	1504	80	
"	"	511 Harness @ $2.50	1277	50	
"	"	Board 44 drivers & families			
"	"	(77 persons) 4 days	66	53	
"	"	Salary advanced 62 employees	2440	48	
Jan	9	Received from Lieut D.B. Devore			
		per Dr Sheldon Jackson			3500 Kroner
"	18	" " "			11.575
"	"	" " "			3000
"	29	" " "			8100
Feb	2	" " "			3700
					$8365.00
"	3	Balance due Wm A Kjellmann			2304.31
			$ 10669	31	10669.31

29.875 Kroner @ .28 cts = $8365.00

Memoranda

Expenses of procuring Reindeer paid by Mr a. Kjellmann including travelling Expenses	$ 7960	51		
Bonus given by Dr Jackson	201	79		
538 trained Reindeer @ $10			$ 5380	00
418 Sleds @ $3.60			1504	80
511 Harness @ $ 2.50			1277	50
	$ 8162	30	8162	30
Total Expenses Reindeer	8162	30		
Board 44 Drivers + families (77) for 4 days from home to Steamer	66	53		
Salary advanced 62 Employes	2440	48		
Jan 9th - Cash received			3500	Kroners
" 18 per Sheldon Jackson			11575	
" " " " "			3000	
" 29 " " "			8100	
Feb 2 " " "			3700	29875 Kr @ 4 = $ 8365.00
			$ 8365	00
Feb 3rd Balance due Mr a. Kjellmann			$ 2304	31
	$ 10669	31	10669	31

January 29th Saturday

Upon arising from bed this morning found that the storm had ceased - Nature was quiet & Man was busy shoveling paths through the great snow banks that were everywhere About eleven O'Clock took a long walk for exercise & fresh air. Climed the hill back of the village to get my first sight of the sun since I have been here — the first time in three weeks - The sun was only a few degrees above the horizon in a notch of the Mountains. At the same time the moon was plainly visable overhead. In the afternoon the sky was again over cast with clouds. Children of all ages sexes & sizes are out on skis. Which they enjoy very much & with which they are very expert. They are a great improvement upon the Snow shoe of the American

January 30th Sunday.

Mild day with a little wind from the east During the day light flurries of snow. To-day in Church der Kjellmann & I occupied seats in the gallery. Where we found more people than in the body of the Church - Many of them however were boys & girls - There were also 2 Lapp men & 1 Lapp woman Another infant baptism. To day was at the end of the regular Service & the the baptism a family Communion. After the Close of the baptism the precentor came forward & started a hymn. During the singing the Sexton lighted the 2 large Candles on the Altar & robed the Minister with his white surplus & red velvet Cape Then a man & three women came forward & stood in front of the Altar After prayer & reading of the Liturgy

and Singing the Minister helped himself to the bread & wine while facing the Altar & his back to the Congregation, then turning Around the 4 Communicants Knelt at the Altar & the Minister placed a portion of bread in each mouth, then held the Cup to their lips - I understand that there is no regular time for Communion, or time when the whole Church Communes together. But Whenever any family or Church members wish to Commune they Notify the Minister on the Saturday previous, and he Administers the Communion to them Alone at the Close of public Service on the following day. On Confirmation Sabbath, the Young people who are Confirmed are expected to Commune together upon that occasion.

It seemed hardly in keeping that while the minister ~~should be~~ was robed in his gorgeous vestments, that he should be wearing the large clumsy reindeer fur shoes with hooked toes that are used by the Lapps.

The days pass rapidly and yet it seems months since I left home.

January 31st Monday.

Light flurries of snow during the forenoon Mattie Eira was to have brought in some sled deer that we might visit the iron bridge across the Alten river, but did not come. I suppose he thought it too stormy. It clearing up about noon, he came in about 2 o'clock, after a light lunch, we started out in 3 sleds, Mr Kjellmann, Eira & myself. The attached to my sled was also attached by the halter to the Eira's sled. Before getting to the first steep

hill I was spilled out. When going down the long steep hill near Bugten, My sled persisted in running under the deer + once or twice the deer was in the sled with me. In his frantic efforts to keep clear of the sleigh he got out of his harness. It was then concluded that I had better drive my deer. Which I did part of the time, but the deer knew that there was a green hand at the reins (Which by the way is only a halter strap) + thereafter I could not keep up with the others. The flopping of the rein at his side + shouting put me in a perspiration, but did not greatly quicken the pace of the deer. Indeed in that 14 Miles ride, I had all kinds of experiences After Crossing the iron bridge we returned to the west side + called at the store of Jørgen Nass at ~~Karasjok~~ Elvebakken. He himself had gone to Karasjok

to buy a herd of reindeer for slaughter the carcasses being frozen & shipped to the Continent. I found a few cups & saucers with a picture of reindeer travelling, which I bought. Mr Nass spent 9 years in Chicago, where a portion of his family remains, he himself returning to his native land & opening up a store. While at Mr Nass, a herd of deer arrived, being in charge of Samuel Kenni and Carl Suhr the one expected from Bautajok. There were 4 men with 114 head of deer After leaving the store, we stopped at the Roman Catholic Mission Calling on the Priest (Italian) and the teacher (Norwegian) Mr Kjellmann went to Bugten to get soundings & ascertain if it is not a better harbor from which to load the deer, while Eira & Myself returned to Bosekop. Reaching Bosekop, we found the 3rd herd had

72 While we were rejoicing at their safe arrival, another messenger came announcing the approach of the 4th and last herd.

arrived bring in Charge of Mr M. Kjeldsberg and Per Rist There were 252 deer and 44 Lapps from Kautokeino. Felt very thankful that so many had safely arrived

February 1st Tuesday.

The Morning opened with light snow It has been an interesting day. About ten O°Clock the different herds commenced arriving & for 3 hours there was a continuous stream of arrivals in the Square used as an open Market place for the village Many of the arrivals were ten deer & ten Sleds fastened together tandem. The deer are tied to the fences and the harness & Sleds bring prepared for shipment. And the work of unpacking is still in progress this Evening. About 11 O'clock A.M. the 4th & last herd arrived

bring that from Karasjok in Charge of Mr A. Paulson, Merchant at that place. Hee brought 90 deer and 29 ~~men~~ Lapps. We are now anxiously looking for the Steamer, which was expected last night. It has probably been detained by fogs that have prevailed along the Coast

Feb 2nd Wednesday

Upon going out this morning, found the Steamer Manilotan at Anchor. At once notified Mr Kjellmann, who was dressing. Took a hurried breakfast. + was off to the Steamer. At once Commenced Arrangements for loading up. A large boat was taken over to the Ship, and upon it was built a platforme, from which a ~~staging~~ gangway was erected into the Ship. The contract of taking over the deer, Sleds &c were given Some

Norwegians who got out three boats with rowers &c Some Lapps were set to removing the horns from the deer - Which was done by sawing off the horns. During the day some of the Lapps got hold of some liquor and several became drunk - About 300 deer were loaded in during the day, 200 sleds & some baled hay - Several of the Lapp drivers have just been married, so that we will have several bridal parties over. Lieut Dwore will not return to America on the steamer, but go by the way of London to settle up matters -

Mr Kjellmann has been exceedingly busy in settling up accounts with Lapps & others. As Lieut Dwore has had trouble with Jansen & may have more, I have given him the original of the following letter & Telegrams -

Copies of Letters and Telegrams received from M. Janson of the firm of Mocatta. Janson & Co. Foreign Produce Brokers. Crown Buildings 79 Queen St Cheapside London Eng - The Originals given to Lieut- D.B. Drvore.

Copy of Letter

London E.C. 3rd Jan 1898

Dr Jackson & Lieut Drvore

P.T. Hotel Cecil. London

Gentlemen

Confirming the arrangement we came to this morning, we have pleasure in herewith handing you a short agreement for your signature As we now understand the case it is settled on the following terms

That we are to consider ourselves under direct orders from you and that only in such orders are we to act We have intimated

to our representative in Mosjoen that he should purchase 300 reindeer, we also instruct this agent and another one in Drontheim to purchase a quantity of moss. We should like this confirmed by you, whether these orders are to be carried out. it having struck us since our conversation this morning that you wish to have a certain quantity of reindeer at your option of purchase at Mosjoen This option can not be expected to be extended to you, inasmuch as our friends will probably have the whole trouble for nothing. Therefore it would be well if a decision is come to as we could then wire Mosjoen to cancel the order. To us it is very apparent that to further an early shipment, the more that is done from this side the better, but will leave everything entirely in your

hands Reports that we have from Norway seem to be so contrary to what Mr Kjellmann have advised you why our friends should say Mr Kjellmann is not getting many reindeer we dont understand, still we think it better to mention this to you.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) Mocatta. Jackson & Co

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Telegram (Copy)

Trondhjem Jan 13. 1898 2. 35 P.M.

Doctor Jackson

Allen

Kjellmann Made most abominable Mess. whole briisness discredit Country round. telegraph me how many reindeer, Moss, Lapps you have Ready Shipment twenty second instant I have bought 500 reindeer, 250 tons

Moss for that dam. for whom has Kjellmann been shipping by Ihing-valla 150 reindeer. You must see this see I know my business and see all I said in London is borne out by facts. Keep nothing back if you want to further the interest of ~~the~~ United States government.

Signed Janson Grand

Made no reply to above S.J.

(Copy)

Y Troyssoe
~~Drontheim~~. Jan 21, 1898

Doctor Jackson

Alten

After order from Mocatta Janson London is for your account of me in Sweden bought 500 reindeer which come to Skibotten Mondy Jan 24 Telegram from

Jansen to-day you are the receiver
What is to do. Telegraph immediately

Sivertsen

Reply

Alten. Jan 21st 1898

Sivertsen

Tromsoe

I did not order reindeer and refuse
to receive them

Jackson

Copy

Trondhjem Jan 22. 1898. 12.40 PM

Dr Jackson

Alten

Your behavior towards me is incom-
prehensible and can only be just
down to the fact that you are unaware
of all arrangements made between
Devoe & myself since you left London

Still it is unchristianlike from a man of your clotte You have been fully appriged that I were working in interest of States government honestly. advise you make best of situation Janson.

Took no notice of the above A. J

Copy

Trondhjem Jan 25/98 8.55-

Dr Jackson Allen

Vengeance is mine Saith the Lord Surely he is meeting out just punishment to you for Shameful treatment of Sivertsen & myself by making it impossible for Manitoban to load in harbor and obstacles every other way (Not Signed)

Took no notice of it O.J.

Copy

Trondhjem Jan 30/98 9.20

Dr Jackson Altev

Have been arrested by order of Sivertsen's
liability reindeer in all humanity
settle matters with him financially
and health ruined acted absolutely
Devores contracts and expressed wishes
how can you sanction such treatment
wire intention Sivertsen in Grand Tromsoe.

Jansen.

Made no reply to the above O. J.

Feb 3rd Thursday

Had Coffee served at 6 Am & at 6.30
was at the wharf overseeing the men
Who were in Charge of Sending the

Reindeer, Moss &c from the Shore to the Ship. They were sending out Moss. Went over to the Ship & had a Conference with regard to the work - Concluded to finish Loading that day Things went very slow however. About Middle of forenoon went better. During the day the cold increased until at night it was 2° of Zero. A light wind from the Mountains increased the Severity of the day. By ten o'Clock all the deer that were in the place had been sent off to the Ship. But there was a herd of 140 that was to have been in from the Mountain, Where it was waiting the arrival of the Ship, early in the Morning that did not arrive until Noon. Extra men were sent out to assist in lassoing them & As fast

as they were brought in, their lines were sawed off & they rushed aboard the ship. By 6 O'Clock P.M. all the deer were aboard. The balance of the sleds were sent aboard and the harness was packed in large casks & sent aboard. The drivers and their families were then directed to go aboard. For the past two days there has been considerable drinking going on and a number of them are drunk. When they refused until unless an inventory was first taken of all their clothes, bedding &c As this would have taken all night & part of the next day, we refused but insisted that they should go aboard & take the inventory there after we started. Upon their

still refusing to go aboard the Chief of the Police was called in, who announced to them that they must either go aboard according to the contract they had signed, or he would take them to jail. Upon which they commenced going aboard - It being after Midnight when all had done so.

About 7 P.M. the Mail Steamer arrived from Hammerfest and had on board among other things 4 Kegs of Whiskey, which the Lapps had ordered down by telegraph. Mr Kjellmann learning that the liquor had been ordered, had the Chief of the Police, take it upon arrival. So that the Lapps did not get it. The few bottles they did

get however did its work, and they made the steerage a pandemonium all night. About 3 P.M. having been out since 6.30 in the morning, had an attack of rheumatism in my knees, so that going down hill was torture. By 8 P.M. was used up & at-9 could not walk to the wharf to go on board myself, but had to hire a sled to take me down to the wharf.

On ship board found my berth wet from the condensation of steam against the port glass & then thawing & running down the sides of the vessel. It was cold also, and I did not get warm or asleep all night. It was 2 am when I went to bed. At 4 am it was announced that Mr Kjellmann had not yet come aboard. I replied

Feb. 4th Friday

that we could not go without him
A few minutes later it was announced that there was a boat along side & shortly after that Mr Kjellman was aboard. The Anchor was hoisted & we were off for New York -

Reindeer 538. Sleds 418. Horses 511. Lapp men 43 women 16 Children 19 Norwegian men 15 women 3 Children 7 Finn men 10

It has been another pleasant day
About 10.30 we stopped at Loppen & let off the two pilots. Customs officer & Lieut Dwore. who would take the local Mail Steamer to Tromsoe. Lieut Dwore returning to New York by the way of Trondhjem and London
From Loppen we went out to sea and some of the Lapps were sea sick
A deer was found running round in the lower hold having fallen through the hatch.

Feb 5th - Saturday

This morning found it Snowing
About 2 inches fall, which has
been carefully gathered up by the
Lapps in pails & carried to the deer
Quite a number of the Lapps have
been lying on deck in the Snow all
day sea sick. The sea is quite smooth
Mr Kjellmann has been very busy
Yesterday in organizing the work
A man is made responsible for
the feeding & care of the deer in a
certain pen. Another man is a
Kind of "Section boss" having charge
of a certain number of men who
have charge of pens, to see that
they perform their work properly -
Some changes have also been made
in the placing of the deer -

Feb 6th Sunday

Upon waking up found that there was considerable more motion to the ship and upon going on deck found a heavy swell from the South East which was abeam the ship Hoped to have had some kind of service with the Lapps, but so many of them were sea sick & I was so near it myself that I spent the day either sleeping or pacing up & down the deck. Occassional flurries of snow alternating with occassional shipping a sea or a shower of spray. There being a Norwegian woman in the Steerage with a young babe. Mr Kjellman got permission to put her & his niece in the State room reserved for a Hospital where they are more comfortable by the doctors

Feb 7. Monday

A heavy swell from the east. Alternating blue sky & flurries of snow. The Odor from the deer has become very strong in my state room. The Moss that was left on the hurricane deck has been used up; making more room for Exercise - The whole hurricane deck aft of the bridge & smoke stack is taken up with pens for the deer - To day passed about Midway between Iceland & the Faroe Islands - No land visable. Some of the seasick Lapps lay out on deck all night in the Storm.

Feb 8th Tuesday

This morning the wind blew cold off from Iceland. The wind coming out from the west, smoothed down the swell

so that there has been but little motion during the day. The smooth sea & a bright sun, brought out on deck many that had remained in their bunks with sea-sickness Quite a number of the Lapps are suffering with bad colds. Nor is it strange the way they have been laying around the deck in the snow & ice - At noon to-day we had made 800 miles of our journey

Feb 9th Wednesday

Had a very rough night. The sea broke up a 2 inch plank partition on the Hurricane deck, washing in on the deer so badly that those in three compartments were removed further aft. Head wind with heavy head sea. Making very little progress. About noon sighted the Mail Steamer that

runs from Denmark via Leith Eng
& the Faroe Islands to Iceland.
The Steamer had her sails set, running
before the wind for Faroe Islands -
A very uncomfortable day for all hands.

Feb 10th Thursday

Another day of Snow Squalls, gales
& heavy head sea. & great discomfort
I feel very sorry for the Norwegians and
Lapps in the Steerage - A privileged
passenger in the 1st Cabin is very
uncomfortable. The physician on
board the ship is making his first voyage
& is also sea-sick Was on the bridge
a little while this morning watching the
Ship dive into the waves & wash the
forward deck. Mr Wm A. Kjellmann
& Myself are the only passengers in the
first Cabin. The other State rooms are occupied by the Officers of the Steamer.

Feb 11th Friday

The storm still continues only with increased violence. In addition to the constant gale that is blowing Come occassional snow & hail squalls accompanied with puffs of wind that make this great iron ship tremble with their force Every now & then heavy seas sweep the deck The deer that were midships on the hurricane deck have been moved aft, the waves having broken into their pens. During the storm have seen some very beautiful cloud effects.

Feb 12th Saturday

Still storming. The heighth & force of the waves have abated considerable since yesterday — Showers of hail & snow accompanied with high winds

Continues to rage. In my state room the water washes back & forth on the floor. In the centre of the room a temporary floor raised about 2 inches above the floor has been put in to keep my feet dry. Over my head on the hurricane deck are some deer pens from which water percolates & drops from the ceiling, until there isn't a dry spot for dressing. My mattress has been wet from the condensation on the cold walls of the room for the week that I have occupied the room.

The old ship behaves beautifully in a storm, but is wet & dirty & uncomfortable for the passengers. The deer stand the journey well. This is the 5th day of the storm, during which we have made but little progress. P.M. Wind changing to the north & hopes for more favorable weather.

Feb 13th - Sunday

Storming worse than ever. Was out on deck a little while in the forenoon but not considering it very safe remained in the Cabin during the afternoon + evening. Captain Brace who has been at sea 42 years, remarked that he had never seen worse waves - About 6 P.M. Life boat Number 1 was stove in + wrenched from the davits. Some of the 2 inch plank around the Reindeer pens were broken in. The 130 Reindeer on the hurricane deck were disturbed with the seas breaking over the vessel - From noon yesterday to noon to-day only 59 miles

Feb 14th - Monday

During the night the violence of the storm somewhat abated and

this Morning the Lapps are cleaning out the stalls on the hurricane deck & giving the reindeer a bedding of dry straw. The life boat that was stove in last night, was this Morning broken up and the lumber sent down to the engine room for fuel. Spent some time on "the bridge" Had my hair & whiskers cut by the Engineers stone keeper. Mr Kjellmann was caught by a wave this morning as and wet through & through Was down in the steerage. It is wet greasy & filthy. The steerage passengers must be very uncomfortable I feel very sorry for them. Lost a cuff button this morning.

This P.M. settled down to a drizzling rain.

Feb 15th Tuesday

During the night the gale turned into a hurricane & at 6 o'clock great seas were sweeping over the deck. The Captain & officers claim they never encountered a worse storm. Hatches that had previously been left open were closed & skylights covered. The lurching of the vessel was so great that the Steward was able to give us but little breakfast. The Captain took his on the bridge. The danger of being swept overboard was so great on deck that none of the herders were allowed outside & the 130 deer on the hurricane deck drenched in salt water as wave after wave broke over & in their pens were left without anything to eat all day

In the morning the figure head of the ship was wrenched off + swept ~~to sea~~ astern. A Sailor was thrown down a hatchway and lay a little while unconscious - Between 4 + 5 in the afternoon the storm suddenly abated and sheep were sent out to feed the hungry deer The wind shifted to the South, and the sea smoothed down during the night

Feb 16th Wednesday

The nine days storm has ceased or at least there is a lull. The Southerly wind however promises another storm in the near future. Under the influence of a quiet sea nearly everyone is on deck. Many of the Lapps + Norwegians are busy making

bags in which to pack the Moss for conveyance on the Railway - All seem to enjoy getting out of the dark, damp Steerage into the fresh air again. Towards noon however it clouded over and in the afternoon a drizzling rain set in which drove them all back into the Steerage

Feb 17th Thursday.

About 6 am a heavy Seas were unexpectedly encountered & during the forenoon it was quite rough again During the forenoon the wind veered around to the North west Knocking down the head Sea & bringing it abeam - So that it was much smoother in the afternoon. Was on the Bridge a good deal. Frequent passing Showers Marred the pleasure of outside

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† Recently married
* Mail Carriers

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List of Reindeer Drivers & others secured in the Lapland Yukon Relief Expedition of Jan & Feb 1898

Laplanders	Residence	Age Years	Mos	Sex	Read	Write
* Johan Olsen Puik	* 3 yr.	42		Male	Yes	Yes
Karen (his wife)		50		Fem.	"	No
Inger Karen (Children)		15	6	F	"	Yes
Berret Inga "		10		F	"	No
* Aslak Johnsen Bals	* 4 Years	46		M	"	Yes
Susanna (his wife)		40	3	F	"	No
Susanna (Child		7		F	No	"
Mikkel Aslak "		5		M	"	"
* Johan Petter Persen Rista		26	6	M	Yes	Yes
† Berret Anna (his wife)		23	4	F	"	"
Nils Persen Sara		40		M	"	"
Marie (his wife)		40	8	F	"	No
Ellen (Child)		15		F	"	Yes
Mikkel "		12		M	"	"
Morten "		6		M	No	No
Klemet "		4		M	"	"
Mathis "		2		M	"	"

From Kautokeino

Laplanders — Residence — Age — Sex — Read — Write

Forrn Kautokeino

		Age	Sex	Read	Write
Johan Isäksen	Torrensis	40	M	Yes	Yes
+ Berret	(his wife +	39	F	"	"
Jacob Larsen	Hatta	29 6	M	"	"
Berret	(his wife	50	F	"	No
Mikkel	(Child	16	M	"	Yes
Berret Anne	"	6	F	No	No
+ Ida Johansdatter	Hautta (See Page 101 & yr				
* Isäk Johannesen	* Hatta	26	M	Yes	Yes
Isäk Salamonsen	Nakkila	28	M	"	No
Nils Persen	Bals	41	M	"	Yes
+ Elen Marie	(his wife + See foote of Page 102	23	F	"	"
Per Mathisen	Spein	27	M	"	"
Ole Klemetsen	Hatta	25	M	"	"
Aslak Aslaksen	Gaup	27	M	"	"
+ Kjersten	(his wife +	23	F	"	No
Ole Johannesen	Trulk	20	M	"	Yes
* Isäk Mikkelsen	Torrensis *	40	M	"	"
* Per Johannesen	Hatta *	26	M	"	"
* Nils Klemetsen	*	28	M	"	"
* Ole Olsen	Bar *	36	M	"	"
Inger	(his wife	35	F	"	No

Laplanders

		Age		Sex	Read	Writ
Auger Anna	(Child	3		F	No	No
Klemet	"	1	3	M	"	"
* Isāk Andersen Bango *		30		M	Yes	Yes
* Per Nilsēn Siri *		24		M	"	"
Ida Johansdatter Hatta (See page 100)		23		F	"	"
Beret-Nilsdatter Eira (See page 102)		21		F	"	"
* Lars Larsēn Hatta *		26		M	"	"
Klemet-Nilsēn		44		M	"	"
Anders Persen Utzi		36		M	"	"
Per Andersēn		42		M	"	"
Sofie	(his wife	46		F	"	"
Sofie	(his child	11		F	"	"
Anders Klemetsēn Biti +		34		M	"	"
+ Marit	(his wife	22		F	"	"
Anders Johnsēn		24		M	"	"
Klemet Persēn Boini		23		M	"	"
Per Larsen Anthi		39		M	"	"
John Andersēn		36		M	"	"
Amund Hansēn		22		M	"	"
Ole Olsen		20		M	"	"
Anders Aslaksēn Bar		25		M	"	"

Finn Kautokeino ---X--- Finn Karasjok

Laplanders

		Residence	Age	Sex	Read	Write
Anders Johannesen	Balto	Aranx Karasjok	33	M	Yes	Yes
Marit	(his wife		30	F	"	"
Marie	(Child		7	F	No	No
Johan Eriksen	Eira +		30	M	Yes	Yes
+ Marit Berset Nils datter	(his wife Eira (see page 101)		34	F	"	"
Johan Petter	Johannesen Nango		30	M	"	"
Kirsten	(his wife		36	F	"	No
Per	(Child		1 6	M	No	"
+ I was with Nguen across Greenland Samuel	Johannesen Balto *		36	M	Yes	Yes
* Carried grain to North Cape 8 years * Lars Larsen	Autti *		26	M	"	"
Johannes Aslaksen	Rauna		33	M	"	"
Ole	Krogh		40	M	"	"
Iver Persen	Vestad		25	M	"	"
Per Josefsen	Porsanger		41	M	"	"
Mathis Klemetsen	Nilsskka		20	M	"	"
Hans Andersen	Siri		22	M	"	"
Ole Johnsen	Stenfjeld	Rösos	24	M	"	"
Children of Nils Persen Bals			See Page 100			
Inga	Bals	Kautokeino	18	F	"	"
Per	"		15	M	"	"
Merit	"		11	F	"	"

Norwegians

Ole M Rapp		21		M	Read	Write
Lauritz Stefansen		21		M	"	"
Johan Hilmar Hansen		23		M	"	"
Johan Johannesen Tverelo		21		M	"	"
Ole G. Berg		40		M	"	"
Peder Berg		20		M	"	"
Lauritz Larsen		30		M	"	"
Rolf Wiig		18		M	"	"
Olai Paulsen (Prize Riflerman)		31		M	"	"
Birgitte	(his wife	30		F	"	"
Kristian	(Child	7		M	"	No
Margit	"	5		F	No	"
Alfhild	"		4	F	"	"
Magnus Kjeldberg		22		M	Yes	Yes
Emil "		26		M	"	"
Thoralf "		22		M	"	"
Otto M. Lirman		33		M	"	"
Hilda	(his wife	25		F	"	"
Harald	Child	8		M	"	"

From Bodekop ----> From Kaafjord

Norwegians

		Residence	Age		Sex	Read	Write
Ragnvald	(Child	Arnø Kaafjord	4		M	No	No
Asvald	"	"	3		M	"	"
Alice	"	"		6	F	"	"
Karl Johan Sacariasen		"	23		M	Yes	Yes
Jafett Lindeberg		"	24		M	"	"
Mrs A. Kjellmann		Mt Horebis	36	7	M	"	"
Gunharda Thomasen			18		F	"	"

19	Women
26	Children
68	Men

78	Lapps
10	Finns
25	Norwegians

Finlanders

Alfred Salamonsen		Nilima	21	4	M	Yes	Yes
Wilhelma Basi	(Fr Langfjord		28		M	"	"
Jeremias Abrahamsen	"		23		M	"	"
Karl Eve Suhr	(Fr Elvebakken		28		M	"	"
Alfred Hermansen	(Fr Alten		21		M	"	"
Peder Johannesen	(Fr Saxelo		24		M	"	"
Samuel Josefsen	"	"	23		M	"	"
Otto Greiner	"	"	25		M	"	"
Hans Samuelsen	"	"	26		M	"	"
* Johan Peter Stalog			33		M	"	"

carried mail on skees to North Cape 8 years *

Argo

Married just previous to Starting

	Ages
Johan Petter Persen Ristā	26
Berret-Anna "	23
Johan Isaksen Tornensis	40
Berret "	39
Nils Persen Bals	41
Elen Marie"	23
Aslak Aslaksen Gaup	27
Kjersten	23
Anders Klemetsen Biti	36
Marit "	22
Johan Eriksen Eira	30
Marit "	34

Northernmost Mail Carrier
Johan Petter Stalogargo, a Finlaynder
Carried the Mail on Skees for
8 years to North Cape Norway

Men that have Carried the Reindeer Mail in Lapland.

o Johan Olesen Buik. (3 years) Lapp
o Aslak Johnsen Bals (4 years) "
Isak Johannesen Hatta (8 yrs) "
Isak Mikkelsen Tornensis "
Per Johannesen Hatta "
Nils Klemetsen "
o Ole Olesen Bar "
Isak Andersen Bango "
Per Nilsen Siri "
Lars Larsen Hatta "
+ Samuel Johannesen Balto "
Lars Larsen Anthi "
× Johan Petter Stalogargo Finn
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o Married
+ Crossed Greenland with Nansen
× Carried on Skees Mail to North Cape (Norway.

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Feb 18th Friday

The deer that was found injured yesterday died during the night It had evidently been fighting Wind continues from the north & is light. We are running smoothly The day is pleasant & nearly all the steerage people are on deck Many have their skin clothing out drying.

Lapps from	Kautokeino	47	
" "	Karasjok	30	
" "	Röros	1	78
Norwegians "	Bosekop	8	
" "	Kaafjord	16	
" "	Hammerfest	1	25
Finns		10	10
			113

Feb 19. Saturday

Another pleasant day and the ship is making at the rate of over 200 miles the 24 hours. The Lapps have commenced taking an inventory of their effects & baggage. Clothing & bedding that has become damp has been hung outside to dry & air. Even some Musty deer meat has been brought up on deck & given a salt water bath at the end of a rope. This forenoon the smoke of a steamer was seen to the Southward, but so far away that the character of the vessel could not be made out. Have been busy writing on my report to the Secretary of War. If I had taken the mail steamer Victoria to England & so on home, I would probably been at home to-night.

Feb 20 Sunday

During the forenoon had a fresh East wind with the sea behind us.

Stopped an hour this afternoon for slight repairs in the Engine room

During the afternoon the sea went down and the wind became very light. At times a little drizzling rain Large number of the Lapps were out on deck - The cabin has been uncomfortably warm the air being 56° & the water 61°

Feb 21st Monday

This morning we reached the first of the Cod banks - Thick & foggy a good portion of the day. Hog Whistle was blown all morning. Temperature of the water down to 44°. On account of fog, the Captain remained on the bridge all night

Distances	Miles
From Bosekop to Kautokeino	112
" " " Karasjok	112
" " " Spis Javre	101
" " " Bautajok	162
" " " Enare	2165
" " " Elvebakken	7
" " " Maci	58

Washington to New York	230
New York to Liverpool	3091
Liverpool to London	200
London to Christiania	1210
Christiana to Trondhjem	350
Trondhjem to Hammerfest	1020
Hammerfest to Bosekop	75
Bosekop to New York	3840
New York to Washington	230
	10,326

Feb 22. Tuesday

The morning foggy with cold Cutting North ~~west~~ Wind blowing During the night had to slow down on account of the fog. The Captain never left the bridge all night This noon we are 1135 miles from Sandy Hook

Feb 23rd Wednesday

A fair wind continues, also the sea with us. A pleasant day The light wind from the North is very cold & penetrating Some of the Lapps have their skins & Clothing which is wet spread out to dry. Some of the sailors have been painting the ship getting her ready for port. The Lapps have been cleaning out the stalls. I have been busy figuring on accounts. We made from Noon to Noon 224 miles.

Feb 24 Thursday

A beautiful day. The Lapps busy Cleaning out the pens - At noon to-day 687 Miles from Sandy Hook. Made 215 Miles the last 24 hours - Last night a small Cog wheel in the Steam Steering gear was mashed. Fortunately the Engineer had an extra Wheel to replace it. To-night there is not a Cloud to be seen. The Stars seem to shine with unusual Brilliancy, Also the New Moon - The pleasantest day of the trip so far.

Feb 25th Friday

Another pleasant day after a Night of fog & drizzling rain. Many of the Lapps had their skins out drying Towards Evening sighted a Steamer to the Northeast. Too hazy to determine the name

Feb 26th Saturday

Smooth sea. Bright sunny morning with a ~~fresh~~ light but cool & bracing wind from the north. The Lapps had more clothes out airing and drying. Three cases of Measles have developed among the Immigrants & they have been placed in the Crews' hospital ward. 1 adult woman & 2 children. In the afternoon the sky clouded over and in the Evening were squalls of hail & snow. About 4 P.M. large Steamer passed us. In the afternoon all the Immigrants were examined for vaccination marks A few of the younger Children alone had not been vaccinated. The laws of Norway require vaccination from 7 years of age upward. At 6.20 P.M. saw the light from the Nantucket light ship

Feb 27th Sunday

A beautiful morning. Scarcely a cloud to be seen. 2 More cases of Measles reported by the Physician. Probably all who have not had them, will do so now.
Hope we will not be placed in quarantine
All the Immigrants were brought on deck in order that their quarters could be cleaned out and fumigated. Land and Sailing vessels have been visable all day. Light head wind & sea. Making about 8½ knots an hour. A number of the Immigrants have been writing letters, A few reading the bible on deck - one group Gambling Mr Kjellmann distributed some tracts in Norwegian which had been sent him for the purpose -
The Lord has been very good to us on this trip & greatly favored us.

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